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REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 30-33 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-29 are pending and under consideration. In item 6 of the Office Action, the Examiner indicates that claims 1-29 are allowed. (Action at page 7).

Applicant requests entry of this Rule 116 Response and Request for Reconsideration because the rejected claims have been canceled. As set forth in MPEP §714.12 that "[a]ny amendment that would place the case either in condition for allowance or in better form for appeal may be entered." The MPEP further articulates that the reason for any non-entry should be explained expressly in the Advisory Action.

CONCLUSION

In accordance with the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot. And further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the prior art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited and possibly concluded by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney.

If there are any underpayments or overpayments of fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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